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The Democratic ticket has been elected by 50,000 majority in Kentucky. Bully for old "Kaintuck."

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Objections to Packer's Wealth.

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democrats have, so that they can overcome all temptations in the way of buying up nominations? We know that they assume to themselves all the intelligence and morality in the country; but what shall we think of the party, in these respects, whose shining lights are SICKLES the murderer, and BUTLER the thief.

3. That ASA PACKER made his money honestly. All the Radical papers admit this. He was himself the creator of his fortune. Talk of good luck as much as you please; it was his foresight, his industry, his frugality, that "did it." Can we say the same of our rich radicals? Of some, we believe we can; but not of those whom they generally set up for public office.

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The Ecumenical Council. Our readers may perhaps not be generally aware that an ecumenical council is to be held in Rome in December next. Many will no doubt wonder what an ecumenical council is, and fail to perceive, even if they do know, and understand what it is, how it will affect the people of this country or what interest we can have in its assembling.

The word Ecumenical, or Ecumenical, as it is now more generally written, means simply "general" or "universal," pertaining to the whole inhabited world, and is the name applied to a council of prelates of the Roman Catholic church, which assemble at stated periods in the city of Rome, and is presided over by the Pope. The prelates gather at the holy city from all parts of the world, and hence the name "Ecumenical," which expresses its universality or the general scope of the jurisdiction of the council over the interests of the Roman church. The business of the Ecumenical council is to discuss and settle disputed points of doctrine, and to say what shall or shall not be received as the scholastic or speculative theology of the Catholic church. This, we believe, is the general duty of the Ecumenical council, which, being supreme authority, makes and decides finally all doctrinal issues, from which decision there can be no appeal.

Having thus explained, to the best of our knowledge, what the Ecumenical council is, we might have nothing further to say about it, were it not for the fact that the meeting of this council, next December, has been seized upon by a journal of the Radical party in this State as a pretext for a highly sensational article. The Harrisburg Telegraph, of a few days ago, advances the idea that the assembling of the Ecumenical Council will be fraught with danger to free institutions throughout the world. It tells us, in the gravest language, that the council will declare the temporal as well as the spiritual supremacy of the Pope, and assert his sovereignty and God given right to govern in the affairs of State as well as church.

Katharine argues that, the council having done this, no Government on earth can depend upon its Catholic citizens as against the sovereign Pontiff. The council having declared the Pope to be the rightful ruler of the universe, his dissent from any act or law of an existing Government would be sufficient to render it null and void in the estimation of its Roman Catholic population, and release them from their obligation to obey it as good citizens. Thus a revolution would be inaugurated by which the religious feeling of the Catholic world would be enlisted on the side of the Pope, and a mighty struggle between Protestantism and Popery begin. And the alarmists of the Telegraph do not hesitate to express their fears of the ultimate overthrow of liberal governments and popular institutions and the eventual enthronement of the Pope of Rome, in church and State, as the supreme sovereign of the world.

These designs are nothing less than the declaration of the temporal infallibility of the Pope. The virtual excommunication of the King of Italy, the assumption of superior authority to the Emperor of Austria in matters of civil government; the alarm of Bavaria, next to Portugal the most heated Government in the world in Popery, and the caution given by France against too bold an assumption of power by the Ecumenical council, all point unerringly to the tenacity of the hierarchy and the distrust of the governments of continental Europe. Let it be remembered that the results are not on political power now, as they have ever been, that the doctrine of temporal infallibility is their darling scheme. If they are successful, the conscience of every Catholic, in every land, will be bound as firmly to uphold the temporal sovereignty of the Pope as it is now bound to uphold the doctrine of Transubstantiation, or the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin, and some idea of the danger to temporal powers from the arrogant assumptions of the hierarchy may dawn on the most stupid and bigoted mind.

Let the Ecumenical Council declare the doctrine that the Pope is supreme in temporal affairs, and infallible, and not only government on earth can depend on its Catholic population, in any case where the Pope may refuse his assent to the acts of government. A word from Rome can place Ireland in a state of rebellion, and set the strange enthusiasm of religious fanaticism, against the English Government. Let it announce then that our schools are infidels, and we are to be deprived of our property, with all the authority of infallibility; that our Government is for separating Church and State, an enormity and a wickedness, as it has one before, let it command its votaries to withdraw allegiance from such an engine of devil as our Government, and to work day and night for its overthrow, as it must if it be true to its avowed religion and the strange Brotherhood, whose consummate ability has been the dread and the admiration alike of mankind for five hundred years, is authorized to carry out the orders of the hierarchy, and wherever would we be? Four millions of people, led by the Society of Jesus, fanatically intent on purging Christendom of non-monstrous crime as it is published in government, which condemn us to the true faith, which refused to present the teaching of its loss in her schools, which denied the papal power, laughed at its assumptions, and led its 2,000,000 of adherents in its flight, would prove a source of danger far greater than the three hundred thousand slave holders that the fallow aristocracy becomes is nothing by comparison.

Let not anybody be particularly alarmed. It is a remarkable coincidence that the Telegraph's article appears just on the eve of a great political campaign, and would seem to indicate that the old cry against Catholicism is to be revived. The sentiments of the above editorial are evidently the outcroppings of know nothingism, and are planted as the seed of another crusade against the rights and liberties of our uneducated Catholic citizens. Radicalism, in its desperation at having failed to secure the vote of the foreign and native Catholic population for its party, now attempts to re-sensitize old issues, and to set in array against each other the Protestant and Catholic religious sentiment of the country. It is the old cry of "wolf, wolf," when no wolf is nigh, and an infamous attempt to stir up strife and ill feeling among a now peaceful people.

We trust that no one will be so blind as to be deceived by the Telegraph's specious reasoning. We have nothing to fear from the Ecumenical council at Rome. It has met before and will meet again. Let it proclaim what it pleases. The age is too intelligent, and our Catholic fellow citizens have drunk too deeply of the sweets of liberty to yield in submission to the mere dictum of a body of learned prelates. It will afford those grave and dignified worthies any pleasure to proclaim the temporal sovereignty of the Pope, let them proclaim it, but such a proclamation will be very far from making the Catholic portion of the people of this Government believe that his Holiness has any authority in temporal things save that which rightfully belongs to him as the acknowledged ruler of the little States now under his sway.

But the Ecumenical council will not advance any such absurd doctrine. The prelates who will compose that august council are too learned, too wise, and too sensible to think of such a thing. They go there for other purposes, and we venture to say that if they do happen to dream of such an impossible theory, it will be because the idea has been first advanced by the far-seeing prophets of the Telegraph.

Will not our Irish and Catholic fellow citizens now be convinced that the Radical party means them harm? Will they not see that they can have no abiding place in the ranks of such an intolerant and bigoted organization? A party that attempted to destroy their church and deprive them of the right of suffrage in days gone by, has since asked their votes; but, failing in this, again revives old issues, and puts them in the position of traitors to their country and devotees of a religious hierarchy. The article we have quoted is the animus of the whole Radical party, which hates and despises Irishmen and Catholics, because it cannot mould them to its will. Will they not aid the grand old Democratic party, which has always been their friend, and which now looks to them for assistance, to crush out of existence this base, malignant, many-headed monster, which has been a stirrer-up of strife and a bane to the country ever since the first moment of its existence? We believe they will.

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THE BURDEN OF A RESTLESS SOUL.

The burden of a restless soul This weary form has borne for years, I've sighed o'er it my saddest sighs, And o'er it wept my bitterest tears.

Know no sweeter tho' thou treadest Paths that end thy tender feet— At the golden goal beyond all, Thou wilt find thy garrison sweet;

Handsome Compliments. seems that Judge PACKER and Mr. PERSHING stand very high in the opinion of the religious world. At least the religious papers are making very complimentary remarks about them.

In 1863 Mr. Packer founded at South Bethlehem a private school, under Episcopal control, called the Lehigh University, and enclosed it with a tract of land fifty acres in extent, and with \$50,000 in money, and it is believed he intends giving an additional \$50,000, amounting one million of dollars. He is said to be a man of most exemplary private life, who dispenses his charities with a most liberal hand.

And following is the same paper's estimation of Mr. PERSHING. Ever since being admitted to the bar he has resided in Johnston, where he has met with much success, and has always maintained the highest reputation for integrity and Christian character. He is an able lawyer.

Such compliments are worth having, and are the strongest evidences of the complete fitness of the Democratic nominees for the positions to which they have been nominated. Against such endorsement as the above all the railings of corrupt Radical newspapers will be in vain.

We invite the attention of our readers and the Democracy generally to the admirable letter of Judge PACKER, in another place, wherein he accepts the Democratic nomination. It is a plain, modest document, and indicates exactly the position of the Democratic party. It is just such a letter as we expected from Mr. PACKER, and it cannot fail to be acceptable to all who love our State or are interested in her prosperity.

Pennsylvania. The Packer ratification meeting at Reading on Saturday last was a success in every particular. Four new wells are being filed at Parker's Landing off fortitly, with every prospect of a successful flow in each.

A republican in Carbon county says that two out of every five republicans in that part of the State will vote for Packer. Two ladies (?) had a regular knock-down, hair-pulling argument in the city treasurer's office, Pittsburg, on Saturday last.

A lad named Miles had his leg cut off by a mowing machine, while working on his mother's farm, at Miles Grove, Erie county. The firemen of Meadville propose having a grand parade on the 10th of September next, the anniversary of Perry's victory on Lake Erie.

A special train passed over the Pennsylvania railroad on Monday, containing a party destined for Iowa to witness the oilspoo tomorrow. A little girl, aged about eight years, daughter of a butcher of Pittsburg, died with lock jaw on Thursday last, caused by the extraction of a tooth.

Pittsburg, Aug. 1.—The jury in the case of Bealls and Duke, the Altoona incendiaries, after being out all Friday night, returned a verdict of guilty. Farmer Eitner, of Warwick township, exhibited at the office of the Lancaster Intelligencer two hoes of oats, one containing 194 and the other 181 grains, which he has christened Packer oats.

So great is the drought in the vicinity of York and Harrisburg, that springs which have not failed for a period of fifty years, are now dry. The corn is very much black and presents a dry and shrivelled appearance. A minor named Anthony O'Donnell, in the employ of the Cambria Iron Co. at Johnstown, was struck on the head by a car, on Wednesday last, and so seriously injured that he died about 11 o'clock the same night.

Elias Gerbert, while returning home to Boringville from Reading on Friday last, in a wagon in company with another man, the horse was frightened and ran away, when Mr. G. and his companion leaped out, the former breaking his neck. Itch and William Cole, brothers, were committed to the jail of Westmoreland county on Tuesday last, charged with rape preferred on charge of a widow lady named Eshehman, aged about sixty years, residing in Ligonier township.

The season for killing trout closed on the 31st ult., and the speckled beauties will enjoy a respite for the next six months. The law is a most excellent one, and it is to be hoped that any one caught violating it will receive the full benefit of its provisions. The Bucks County Intelligencer (Radical) says that Judge Packer, "if he cannot be beaten, will make a tolerably good Governor for a Democrat." That is more than can be said of any one who has not even been "a tolerably good Governor for a Radical."

Every body is scared. He sees that his chances of reelection are slim and daily growing slimmer. He has made a most earnest appeal to Grant for aid, and it is said Ulysses has promised to make some important changes among the office holders in this State. A SWALLOW THE HORN.—The City Item, a Republic paper published in Philadelphia by Colonel Fitzgerrald, refuses to advocate the reelection of the rain, comets, peacock of a landing gear. The Item is intensely loyal to the eagle, and still it can't swallow corruption by such a dose.

Johnston has a musical curiosity in the person of Edith Hohmann, son of Mr. Geo. N. Hohmann. Edith is just six and a half years old, and can play skillfully by note several airs on the violin. When six years old he could play Yankee Doodle from the notes. What renders his musical precocity more remarkable is the fact that he has not yet mastered the alphabet.

On Sunday at four o'clock, P. M. two boys named Francis Larkin and Michael Connolly, employed as messengers of the Pacific and Atlantic Telegraph Company were passing over a bridge near Titusville. Larkin accidentally fell in. Not being able to swim, Connolly jumped in to rescue him, and both were drowned. Their bodies were not recovered until some hours after.

Meadville rejoices in a ghost. He is the disembodied spirit of an engineer named Sprague, who some time since was killed on the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad. He makes himself manifest by hovering about the place where his engine used to stand, and amuses himself in "the silent watches of the night" by throwing bricks at those who are compelled to pass by the spot.

A mysterious affair came to light on Saturday night in Philadelphia. On Friday afternoon (1868), the proceeds of a Government sale, was deposited in the safe in the Treasurer's office at the United States Arsenal in that city. Saturday morning it was discovered that \$24,000 had been stolen. There were no marks of violence on the safe, and the building was well guarded by private watchmen. Several employees of the arsenal have been arrested on suspicion.

On Saturday evening, about six o'clock, a fatal accident occurred at Penn station, on the Pennsylvania Railroad. A man named Joseph Prowd attempted to get on the freight train, at that place to go to Lewistown to attend a meeting of the Lodge of Odd Fellows, of which he was a member. The train was in motion, and the unfortunate man slipped and fell under the wheels. He was instantly killed and was a married man and leaves a wife and four children.

DEATH OF A COLORED HAWK.—The Charleston Herald says Mary Goodin, a colored woman, died of dropsy in Carlisle. She was 58 years of age and weighed almost four hundred pounds. Mary was a native of Adams county, came to Carlisle several years ago, and has been residing in the alley in rear of one office. Mr. A. B. Ewing, the undertaker, informs us that the coffin in which she was buried had to be made of wood an inch in thickness and was heavily lined, was 20 inches in depth and 30 inches across the shoulders. The interment was made in the colored cemetery, where the body was carried by ten men.

Crawford Gallagher, a lumberman from Clearfield county, was swindled out of \$700 in Philadelphia on last Friday morning by a couple of confidence sharpers. Mr. Gallagher had some spurs to sell. Sharper No. 1 told him he could find him a purchaser, and they repaired to the Continental. There sharper No. 2 was met with a check for \$3,000, but could not wait all banking hours. Sharper No. 1 had no money, but Mr. Gallagher had \$500, which was sufficient for present purposes, which he confidently handed over, the two sharpers slipping into a side room to fix up the little bit of paper that usually accompanies such transactions, but they failed to make their appearance again.